

Application No. 09/871,450  
Response to Office Action

Customer No. 01933

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Reconsideration of this application, as amended, is respectfully requested.

RE: ELECTION

Applicant hereby elects claim 33 for further prosecution on the merits.

Claims 1-40 have been canceled, and new claims 41 and 42 have been added. New claim 41 corresponds to the combined subject matter of claims 31-33, including elected claim 33, and new claim 42 is a computer program claim corresponding to new claim 41.

It is respectfully submitted that new claims 41 and 42 are supported by the disclosure in the drawings at Figs. 1-21, and by the corresponding description in the specification. In particular, it is respectfully submitted that new claims 41 and 42 are supported by the disclosure in the specification at paragraphs [0047] and [0048] at pages 30 to 36.

It is respectfully submitted that claims 41 and 42 are readable on the embodiment of elected (now canceled) claim 33, and it is respectfully requested that prosecution on the merits proceed in view of this Amendment.


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If the Examiner has any comments, questions, objections or recommendations, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the telephone number given below for prompt action.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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